

allowing us the time from your busy day to introduce to you our two very important mothers. The purpose of Nebraska Mothers' Association is to keep families together, well, and strong, physically, spiritually, and morally. One way we have to promote this goal is by annually honoring those mothers who through their influence on their children, their involvement with their church, and their concern for community activities have exemplified their worthiness. Our Young Mother Representative is in the process of molding the lives of children, and our Mother of the Year is busy guarding Nebraska's most important resources. They will represent our state during the year throughout the state, and at a national conference in Lexington, Kentucky. I would like to believe that by granting us a few minutes of your time, you are showing respect and honor for your mother. Senator McFarland and Senator Marsh will introduce these mothers who are members of their districts.

SENATOR MCFARLAND: Thank you very much. It is indeed a privilege and a pleasure to introduce the next speaker who is the Young Mother Representative for 1987. Susan Letheby is a working mother. I am proud that she is a resident of the district that I represent. She works at Planned Parenthood. She lives in the near south area of Lincoln and she is the mother of three children. She has two daughters and a son and I am delighted to have her here, and I congratulate her for her award, and I hope and I know that you will be pleased with her comments here today. Thank you.

SUSAN LETHEBY: It certainly is the grandest of honors to be in this place with you this morning. I serve as a Representative of Young Mothers. We are a collection of women with diverse backgrounds and goals and futures, and the thing that we have in common is that we are actively involved in parenting. We have chosen to be challenged and encouraged and supported by each other, and that is what the American Young Mothers' Association is about. I am very proud to be their representative. I thank them for their support as well as the support of my family, and I look forward to an exciting year. Thank you.

SENATOR MCFARLAND: Thank you, Susan. Susan's family is here and seated under the balcony, I think. Could they stand and be recognized at this time.

SENATOR MARSH: This is an exciting time for me for, you see, I know the new Nebraska Mother of the Year, and I am very pleased and proud to ask her family, who also are here, her three